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SHIZU HASEGAWA CROCKETT

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Mr. MCCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1816]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (S. 1816) for the relief of Shizu Hasegawa Crockett, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to waive the racial barrier to admission into the United States in behalf of the Japanese wife of a United States citizen.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 26-year-old native and citizen of Japan who is married to David S. Crockett, a United States citizen presently employed by our Armed Forces in Japan. They have one child born on December 20, 1950.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated June 2, 1952, to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary from the Deputy Attorney General with reference to the case reads as follows:

JUNE 2, 1952.

Hon. PAT MCCARRAN,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of Justice relative to the bill (S. 1816) for the relief of Shizu Hasegawa Crockett, an alien. The bill would enable the alien to enter the United States for permanent residence notwithstanding her racial ineligibility for citizenship.

A memorandum prepared by the Immigration and Naturalization Service of this Department setting forth the facts in the case is attached.

The alien is ineligible for naturalization under section 303 of the Nationality Act of 1940 and thus inadmissible to the United States for permanent residence under section 13 (c) of the Immigration Act of 1924. In the absence of special legislation she may not be permitted to enter the United States. Whether, under the circumstances, the general provisions of the immigration laws should be waived in this case, involves a question of legislative policy concerning which the Department of Justice prefers not to make any recommendation.

Sincerely,

A. DEVITT VANECH,
Deputy Attorney General.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE: SHIZU HASEGAWA CROCKETT, BENEFICIARY OF S. 1816

The alien, Shizu Hasegawa Crockett, is a native and citizen of Japan of the Japanese race, who was born on January 10, 1926. She has never resided in the United States and is presently residing at 2-13 Hagoromo-Cho Tachikawa-Shi, Tokyo, Japan. She is the mother of one child who was born on December 20, 1950. This Service has no further information concerning the beneficiary of the bill.

Mr. David S. Crockett, a citizen of the United States and presently a civilian employee of the United States Armed Forces in Japan, has advised that he married the alien under Japanese custom in September 1949 "due to the fact that they were not permitted to marry under the American methods and customs." He was married on two occasions previously. His second marriage was terminated by divorce on October 31, 1949, in the common pleas court, Dayton, Ohio. The date of dissolution of his first marriage is not shown by the record.

Senator Robert A. Taft, the author of the bill, has submitted the following additional information in connection with the case:

PERSONAL HISTORY OF SHIZU HASEGAWA

Shizu Hasegawa was enumerated with the family of Asagora Hasegawa and Toyo Hasegawa, January 10, 1926, at 2132 Ekoda-Cho Nerima Ward, Tokyo-To, Tokyo, Japan. In addition there are three other living sisters, Yoshie, aged 18, who helps her father who owns and operates a wholesale producers market; Mitsue, aged 14, who attends school; and Masako, age 18, who also attends school.

Shizu Hasegawa entered the Third Elementary School in Kami-Itabashi in 1932, and graduated in 1938. In the fall of 1938, she entered the Hagasaki Higher Elementry School, graduating in the spring of 1940. In the spring of 1940 entered the Sakuradai Girls High School. In the fall of 1942 she terminated her education by direction of the Japanese Ministry of Education due to the war.

December 6, 1942, was engaged as a clerk in the inspection section of the First Arsenal in Oji, Tokyo-To. After 6 months, resigned due to ill health. From June 1943 to May 1944, remained at home performing household duties while mother worked. In May 1944 was engaged as a clerk in the general affairs section of the Shibuya Rong-Arisu Tools and Manufacturing Plant in Nagasaki, Toshima Ward, Tokyo-To. Resigned in August 1947. In April 1948 was in the service of the hospital attached to the Womens Medical College in Wakamatsu-Cho Shinguku Ward, Tokyo-To. Resigned after 3 months. In May 1949 entered the service of the general affairs section of the Maru-No-Uchi Hypothec Bank. Resigned after 4 months.

In September 1949, married Mr. Crockett under the Japanese law and methods of marriage due to the fact that they were not permitted to marry under the American methods and customs.

December 20, 1950, gave birth to a baby girl. At present is performing duties of a housewife and attending English and typing classes. Attends First Christian Church of Tokyo.

Following information furnished in answer to questionnaire:

1. Shizu Hasagawa Crockett will enter the United States as wife of David S. Crockett and will be supported entirely by him.
2. Subject person is at present working in our home as a housewife and attending English and typing classes.
3. Subject person is not working at the present and is dependent upon me for full support as my wife.
4. Subject person is not engaged, and has never been engaged in any activities injurious to the American interests. This statement can be supported by attached copies of investigation.
5. Subject person has never been convicted of any offense under any Federal law or State law or Japanese law.

No. C–1571

CERTIFICATE

Name: Hasegawa Shizu.
Date of birth: January 10, 1925.
Sex: Female.
Nationality: Japanese.
Address: 2132 Egota, Nerima-ku, Tokyo-to

This is to certify that the person above has no police record indicating that the individual has been convicted of a felony, or other crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; practices, believes in, or advocates polygamy; is or has been a prostitute, procurer, pimp. Records at the identification section of the national rural police headquarters and at the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Department were checked to obtain the above information.

Date: February 9, 1951.

MATSUMOTO HIDEYUKI,
Police Superintendent, Chief, Liaison Section, General Affairs Division, Metropolitan Police Department, Tokyo.

Certified true copy:

B. W. KEACH,
Assistant Civilian Personnel Officer.

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL,
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS,
HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST AIR FORCES,
APO 925, February 15, 1951.

CERTIFICATE

Records of the Office of Special Investigations, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, APO 925, have been checked concerning Shizu Hasegawa, and are found to contain no record of derogatory information or of participation in subversive activity, as of above date.

For the director:

JAMES H. GUNN,
Major, USAF,
Executive, Special Investigations, The Inspector General, FEAF.

Certified true copy:

B. W. KEACH, DAFC,
Asst. Civilian Personnel Officer.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (S. 1816) should be enacted.

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